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SOUTHEAST ALASKA COMMERCIAL GEODUCK FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

The following area will be open for the commercial harvest of geoduck for live sale with a 500-pound area specific harvest limit from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, May 5, and from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Thursday, May 6, 2021:

<u>Lower Cordova Bay (Subdistricts 102-10-001, 103-11-001, 103-21-001)</u>: will open for a remaining harvest of 5,100 pounds of whole geoduck.

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Cone Island North (Subdistricts 103-50-005, 104-40-005): will open for a remaining harvest of 17,500 pounds of geoduck.

Fishermen are reminded that unless otherwise specified, regulations regarding the geoduck fishery are stated in 5 AAC 38.142: Southeastern Alaska Geoduck Fishery Management Plan.

For a description of the above areas, please refer to the Southeast Alaska commercial geoduck fishery announcement dated September 21, 2020, announcing the open areas and their guideline harvest levels. All companies buying geoduck clams must contact the Fish and Game, Ketchikan office with a harvest report before 12:00 noon on Friday, May 7, 2021.

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1M2921.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/.

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